Evesham Friends Meeting House Mt. Laurel, Burlington County, New Jersey

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Evesham Friends Meeting House Mt. Laurel, Burlington County, New Jersey

Owner: Society of Friends

Date of Erection: 1760

Architect:

Builder:

Present Condition: Very good; enlarged 1798; the eastern

end is the original portion

Number of Stories: One and gallery

Materials of Construction: Foundation - stone

Exterior walls - native sandstone

Interior walls - panel and plaster

Roof - gable - modern shingles

Historical Data:

This, the second oldest meeting house now standing in Burlington County, is of exceptional interest because it is built of native sandstone probably quarried in the adjacent mount. The first meeting house at Evesham was erected in 1698 and stood in back of the present building. The present building, erected in 1760, was enlarged in 1798; the two ends of the building are divided by a movable partition. For years the Orthodox Friends met in the eastern or older portion of the

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building and the Hicksites in the western.

Historically the building is interesting because it was used by the British soldiers as a barrack during General Clinton's march across New Jersey in 1778.

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